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1. serious disturbances broke out within the plant area on 26 August 1953. On that date, the day shift was canvassed for payment of dues to the FDGB, and serious quarrels immediately broke out, with the majority of the workers refusing to pay any dues at all. Two persons were allegedly seriously injured when they were beaten with lengths of rubber hose. The plant guard tried unsuccessfully to protect FDGB officers and became embroiled in the fracas themselves. Production had stopped in the major part of the plant when several Soviet officers appeared and told workers that the factory would again be occupied by Soviet troops if the disturbances did not cease immediately.
2. A slow-down movement has allegedly been started by a group of Leuna workers. The group has not been discovered thus far despite repeated efforts on the part of the SED and the plant management.
3. On the weekend of 23 August 1953 a small fire damaged some of the oil storage facilities of the Leuna plant and completely destroyed two tank cars loaded with Diesel fuel. [redacted] the fire to workers who live in Weissenfels.

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